

**I CLAIM:**

## 1. A caster comprising:

5 a fork frame having a bearing seat and two legs which respectively extend downwardly in an upright direction from said bearing seat and which are spaced apart from each other in a transverse direction relative to the upright direction, said bearing seat having a larger rivet hole extending therethrough along a swivel axis in the upright direction;

10 a wheel mounted between said legs for rotation about a wheel axis in the transverse direction;

15 a first antifriction bearing including a first outer race member which is disposed over said bearing seat and which has a first smaller rivet hole that is aligned with said larger rivet hole along the swivel axis;

20 a second antifriction bearing including a second outer race member which is disposed underneath said bearing seat and which has a second smaller rivet hole that is aligned with said larger rivet hole along the swivel axis so that said first and second smaller rivet holes and said larger rivet hole form a combined rivet hole;

25 a swivel shaft extending along the swivel axis, and including a proximate segment which is configured such that when inserted into said combined rivet hole, said proximate segment is fitted into said first and second smaller rivet holes and cooperates with said first and second outer race members to define an annular space, a

head which is formed around said proximate segment and which is disposed upwardly of said first outer race member, and a point which is opposite to said head along said proximate segment and which projects outwardly of said 5 second smaller rivet hole; and

a tubular bracing member made from a material that is more rigid than said proximate segment along the swivel axis, sleeved movably on said proximate segment, and configured to fit into said annular space such that when 10 said point is riveted, said first outer race member abuts against said head through said tubular bracing member.

2. The caster of Claim 1, wherein said tubular bracing member has upper and lower edges which abut against said first and second outer race members, respectively.
- 15 3. The caster of Claim 1, wherein said tubular bracing member and said second outer race member are integrally formed with each other.
4. The caster of Claim 1, wherein said first outer race member and said tubular bracing member are integrally formed with each other.

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